

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the air-borne pollen granules of ragweed are the chief cause of late-summer hay fever and asthma; and

WHEREAS, asthma now ranks third in the list of chronic diseases (preceded only by heart disease and cancer), which can result in death; and

WHEREAS, it has been found that the number of cases of late-summer hay fever and the severity of the disease vary in direct proportion to the amount of ragweed pollen in the air; and

WHEREAS, doctors of preventive medicine state that in hay fever it is better to treat the environment instead of the patient; and

WHEREAS, the economy of our State is affected by reason of time lost from employment by hay fever and asthma sufferers; and

WHEREAS, ragweed control concerns rural as well as urban communities, since the weed robs the soil of nutrient and moisture.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARCHIE GUBBRUD, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 1963 as:

### RAGWEED CONTROL MONTH

in this State, and urge all people and public-spirited organizations to support this program both by direct action and by acquainting others with the benefits of weed control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 16th day of May in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three.



ARCHIE GUBBRUD, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



EUSIE WIEDERMAN,  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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